

MASON COUNTY PUD NO. 1
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT 1 OF MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON, does hereby invite sealed proposals as described and in accordance with the Madrona Beach Water System Improvement Project, obtainable from the District upon request.

Proposals for this project must be sealed, marked the Madrona Beach Water System Improvement Project and at the District's office located at 21971 North Highway 101 in Shelton, Washington, by Tuesday, December 1, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. Bids received after the time fixed for receiving bids will not be considered or accepted. At the time and place named above such bids will be opened and read, and the Commissioners will proceed to canvas the bids, and may let a contract to the lowest responsible Bidder or Bidders of the specifications.

SCOPE OF WORK: This project provides for improvements to the existing potable water system. Work generally includes the installation of a 14-foot diameter by 10-foot tall concrete water storage tank, approx. 600 feet of 4-inch PVC pipe in a 300-foot trench, source meter, service meters and controls. Work includes the demolition of a 6000-gallon redwood tank.

BIDDING DOCUMENTS: Bona fide Bidders may request bidding documents from the District Office at 21971 North Highway 101, Shelton, Washington (360) 877-5249, facsimile (360) 877-9274, E-mail jocelyneg@hctc.com.

PRE-BID MEETING: Interested bidders may attend an informational meeting on Wednesday, November 18, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at the District office located at 21971 North Highway 101, Shelton, Washington (Potlatch area).

BID SECURITY AND BONDS: Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check, bank cashier's check, or bid bond executed by a Washington State licensed surety company, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount bid payable to "Mason County PUD No. 1". No bid will be considered unless accompanied by such a bond or security.

REJECTION OF BIDS: The Commissioners reserve the unqualified right in their sole and absolute discretion to waive any informality and to reject any or all bids, and to accept the bid, which in their sole and absolute judgment will, under all circumstances, best serve the interest of the District.

ARRA REQUIREMENTS: This contract is funded with federal stimulus funds (under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)). ARRA has strict reporting requirements for funds spent and jobs created or retained. Prospective bidders should carefully review the bid requirements and read the references as contained in the Drinking Water SRF and ARRA Borrower's Handbook (hereinafter referred to as "handbook"). All contractors and sub-contractors must meet these requirements.

PREVAILING WAGE; DAVIS-BACON ACT: Under the DWSRF ARRA program, contractors and subcontractors are required **to pay the higher of either the state prevailing wages or the federal prevailing wages as included in the bid package.** See Section 7.1 of the handbook for more details. **NOTE:** Contractors must submit weekly certified payrolls.

LISTING JOBS: If you are awarded a contract or grant as a result of this solicitation, you may recruit by any means you prefer but you (and your sub-contractors, if any) must list and report any jobs retained or created with the WorkSource system (affiliated with the Washington Employment Security Department). See Section 7.2 of the handbook.

BUY AMERICAN PROVISION: Contractors must meet “Buy American” requirements which ensure that all of the iron, steel, and manufactured goods used in ARRA-funded projects be produced in the United States unless the EPA grants a waiver or compliance that would compromise U.S. obligations under international agreements. EPA has published guidance materials on general and public interest waivers to this requirement. See Section 8 and Attachment E of the handbook.

FEDERAL DISBARMENT: Contractor must not be listed in the federal Suspension and Debarment listings as prohibited from receiving federal funding.

SIGN OPTION: Borrower (Mason County PUD No. 1) will provide project signs describing funding sources and showing the ARRA logo as per Section 10 of the handbook.

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE: Mason County PUD No. 1 is an equal opportunity employer; small, minority and women owned firms are strongly encouraged to apply. See Section 11 of handbook.

NONDISCRIMINATION PROVISION: During the performance of their contract, the contractor and subcontractors shall comply with all federal and state nondiscrimination laws, including, but not limited to **Chapter 49.60 RCW, Washington’s Law Against Discrimination, and 42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).** See Section 12 of the handbook.

PROTECTION OF WHISTLEBLOWERS: In accordance with **Section 1553 of the ARRA**, the contractor and subcontractors must agree that during the performance of this project, their employees may not be discharged, demoted, or otherwise discriminated against as a reprisal for disclosing, including a disclosure made in the ordinary course of an employee’s duties, to those persons and agencies listed in Section 13 of the handbook.

PROHIBITION STATEMENT: Pursuant to **Section 106 of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2009**, as amended, all general contractors and subcontractors employees may not engage in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time their contract is in effect, procure a commercial sex act during the period of time their contract is in effect, or use forced labor during the performance of their contract.

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT 1 OF MASON COUNTY

Date: **October 27, 2009**

Publish: **November 1 – 28, 2009**

Bid Opening: December 1, 2009 at **10:00 a.m**

Bid OpeningLocation: **Mason County PUD 1**, 21971 N Highway 101, Shelton,
WA 98584